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A GOOD LESSON FROM A GREAT HIGHWAY

FROM Vancouver, British Columbia to Los Angeles there exists now the longest paved highway in the world—1476 miles.

This paved highway is of three kinds—cement concrete, combination of cement concrete and asphalt, and asphalt concrete.

It is conceded that cement concrete is fine for a foundation, but as a wearing surface it will not stand the impact of heavy trucks.

About two-thirds of the north and south Pacific highway is of various forms of asphalt, some pure asphalt, some asphalt-surfaced.

Asphaltic concrete or bitulithic comprises a large part of the entire pavement on account

of its having a waterproof cushion.

While the coast states do not suffer so much from frost deterioration of hard-surface pavements, they mostly demand waterproofing.

It is a remarkable fact that repair work on cement concrete roads and resurfacing worn surfaces is all done with asphaltic materials.

Out of the millions spent on hard-surface highways and streets by cities, counties, states and nation, sane progress is being made.

The resilient cushion highway, as against the rigid types, and the waterproof wearing surfaces easily replaced are growing in favor.

Taxpayers learn their lessons only in the one dear school of experience.

WE'RE STAGGERING UNDER LOAD OF LAW

UNCLE SAM is afflicted with the lawmaking disease. His case is the worst in the history of the world.

The output is so large the law libraries cannot house it, the lawyers cannot digest or assimilate it.

It is said to be a fact that the 48 state legislatures enact more laws than are even proposed by five great nations.

The ratio before the war was fifty new laws in our country to one by any great nation of Europe.

It takes 650 large volumes to hold in printed form the supreme court opinions on questions of constitutionality.

The law library of Columbia university contains 100,000 volumes and increases at the rate of 8000 a year.

Why not stop manufacturing so many laws, try enforcing some of them, and repeal some of the others?

A smaller legislative output would be an evidence of political sanity.

DON'T WORRY, FARMERS AREN'T BANKRUPT

E. T. MEREDITH of Des Moines, former secretary of agriculture, cites the following facts from the United States department of agriculture:

On July 1, 1922, the price of corn per bushel on the farm was 62.2 cents, and on the same date this year it was 86.5 cents per bushel.

The farm price of winter wheat slumped from 93 cents to 87 cents per bushel; oats increased from 37.3 cents to 42.5 cents per bushel, and barley from 52.2 to 55.7 cents per bushel.

These prices were taken as of July 1 each year, and are the farm prices, not the price at marketing centers, from which transportation charges have to be deducted.

The department also furnishes statistics on

the production in bushels of each crop and their value at the prices given above.

These figures show that the total value of these principal grain crops on July 1, 1922, was \$3,183,682,000, while on July 1 of this year the total market value at the farm of these same grain crops was \$3,683,506,000, or \$449,824,000 more than last year.

It is time to deflate pessimism in this country—political pessimism not sustained by facts. This does not mean that everything is rosy with the farmer.

He has borne an unjust share of the post-war liquidation. The prices of the things he is called upon to buy are still too high. But this does not mean that conditions are steadily getting worse and that the American farmer is bankrupt.

UNCLE SAM AIDS WORLD RADIO SERVICE

THE United States government has removed the war restriction on commercial radio service, and the navy department has restored to the Radio Corporation of America those stations which were built and equipped in 1914 by the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America for transoceanic service.

In addition to the agreements previously entered into with countries in Europe for transoceanic radio service, it faced the situation arising out of the great war, in which practically every European country demanded direct radio communication with the United States.

The need for the provision of modern facilities for carrying on radio communication with those countries with which agreements had already been made was imperative, and hardly

less imperative was the need for the expansion of our facilities to meet the new situation.

The present system of operation has six transmitters on the Atlantic coast—two in Tuckerton, one in New Brunswick, one in Marion, and two in the radio central station on Long Island. All these transmitters are controlled directly from the traffic office in New York city.

The transmitting station on Long Island—known as "Radio Central"—and the receiving station at Riverhead, Long Island, represent the modern system. The characteristic features of the transmitting system are the high-frequency alternator, the multiple-tuned antenna, the speed or wave-length regulator, and the magnetic amplifier.

WESTERN SUGAR BEET GROWERS ARE SAFE

WITH a world shortage running into hundreds of thousands of tons, the western beet sugar grower is in clover.

On the sliding scale contracts the farmers raising sugar beets are bound to receive millions of dollars in bonuses.

A pretty fair tariff adjustment protects American beet growers against importations of cheap labor raw sugar products.

Of course, efforts of refiners will be made

to break down this tariff and let in the cheaper raw material which increases their profit.

The consumer of sugar will never get a cent of benefit from letting down the bars to cheap oriental and tropic-grown sugar.

American growers of beet and cane sugar, north and south, are satisfied with the present tariff, and the consumer is not interested in breaking down the home industry.

SHORT JABS AND JOLTS FROM FAR AND NEAR

Germany has more destitute millionaires than were ever known in history.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

The new president no more than comes to bat, when they pitch him a strike.—American Lumberman (Chicago).

Amos Tash of Abilene wants to know what the flappers have done with all that time they saved by bobbing their hair.—Wichita Eagle.

The country is full of dignified, self-contained politicians who will refuse to accept the presidency unless they are elected.—Detroit News.

Dr. Frank Crane says "Everything depends upon the setting," but the hen beat him to that centuries ago.—Louisville Times.

After all, hasn't Germany taken about all the rap out of reparations?—Louisville Times.

Bergdoll says he would have come to America if they hadn't tried to kidnap him. So the plot wasn't an utter failure, after all.—St. Joseph (Minn.) News-Press.

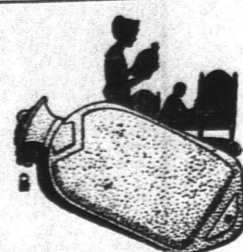
Henry Ford says he wants to abolish all poverty in the world, but he still keeps on selling cars to a lot of persons who can't afford to own them.—Charleston Gazette.

TORRANCE NOTES
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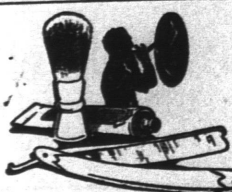
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